



Meeting on April 15, 2022

Pres. Tom's ever diminishing REIGN OF TERROR (his presidential year) opened in the usual way and we greeted our guests with much good cheer, starting with Cooper & Sophia (*not a law firm* – they're Sec. & PN Rachel's kinder) and Ms. Allison McEwer (from the Illinois Chapter of the Alzheimers Association.

Important time sensitive things to Note

In Happy Dollars, there's an announcement of the event on Wednesday (April 20 @ 11:00 a.m.) to honor the 10 HEHS scholars who will receive one of the toolboxes. All Rotarians are invited to attend.

There's another Roadside Cleaning coming up – look in "Announcements" for details.

Search your basement and garage for electronic waste now, so that you can bring it to the Club next Friday and Tom G will bring it to the recycling event mentioned in "Announcements."

Foundation

We paused our regular programming to have a Foundation trustee election. By acclamation, Glenn S and Eddie H were appointed to new terms. Good luck and congratulation! Now get to work!

Happy Anniversary

That's Rotary anniversary, and B. Keller (42 years), Jim A (29 years), Robert F (10 years), Mike "Godfather" E (33), Jimfab (35 years), Wes C (6 years), Allen G (38 years), Ernie T (FIFTY TWO (52) YEARS!!!! – way to go Ernie!), Gayle V (17 years) and Glenn G (10 years). Congrats to you all (and especially Ernie!)

People with normal birthdays, or at least not Rotary birthdays, included Brian B (the elder), Don M, Dennis O'c, Sosi A, Eileen H and Anastasia L. A happy 29th birthday to everyone mentioned (except Anastasia who is nowhere near her 29th birthday yet – and we wish her a very happy, albeit, unenumerated birthday).

Announcements

Announcements included:

Allison McEwen informed us that the Illinois Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association is sponsoring a fundraising walk through one of your Buzzer's favorite places on Earth – Busse Woods -- and the walk will be held when the Woods are at their most striking – on October 2, 2022. You can sign up and presumably get going on finding pledges to support and encourage your hike in Busse Woods! For more information, click here:

https://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2022/IL-Illinois?pg=entry&fr_id=15551

The Roadside Clean-up will begin on May 7, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. Parking will be available in the Kohl's parking lot off Golf Road.

Recycle day in Schaumburg is next week (4/23). Bring your electronics waste to the April 22 Rotary meeting and Tom G will be happy to turn it in for you.

Bill Moyers (a Rotary Scholar) expressed his gratitude for his scholarship in his letter.

POC and Hope's In are doing some very cool things which you can (and should) check out – if you're interested Pres. Tom will forward the links to you.

Tickets for Shout! Are sold out! Contact Nancy R and her team if you would like to be added to the list, in case someone cancels.

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Happiness was beheld by all in attendance including:

Jimfab was gushing about some nice things that Steve L did.

Paul N was happy because this is the first time he proclaimed his happiness as an official Rotarian, and also because he did a high rollover. Congratulations on both of those things Paul.

Linda D was happy/sad because she was picked for last week's elusive Queen of Hearts but the Queen didn't show for her. Your fellow losers join you in a boo hoo on that Linda! But hey, Linda was also VERY HAPPY to have been anointed this past week as the new Chair of the Hoffman Estates Chamber of Commerce! Wow! I'm thinkin' *The Sisters Are Doin' It For Themselves!* (just google the last sentence, and follow the link to youtube, and endure the horrible advertisement (which at least you can cancel after 5 seconds) and then you will get to the music video with Annie Lenox and Aretha Franklin that I'm thinkin' about right now). I am happy and proud for you Linda. Way to go.

Now, back down to Earth.

Don M was happy that Divine Signs (and Jeff M or one of his minions) came through again for him relative to stickers for the toolkit fundraising that our Club has very successfully implemented – and, also for the **BIG EVENT AT HOFFMAN ESTATES HS** this coming Wednesday, April 20, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. (to noon) when we will present fantastic tool boxes to the 10 Hoffman High students who were selected to receive them.

Eileen H was very happy that next week (at our April 22 meeting) we will implement a new chapter in the life of our Club's unique scholarship program, the Fishing Well, when we invite the brass from the Elgin Community College to our meeting to receive lunch and a very large check for \$50,000, to be applied to scholarships in vocational studies including commercial driving license certification, certification in forklift operation or a two-year degree program that trains students to be expert auto mechanics.

Pat G was happy that the bizarre spring weather hasn't killed her Daffodils (yet).

Gene W was happy about the Dumbledore movie and about a convoluted way that Allen G transformed himself into the Easter Bunny.

Secretary and PN Rachel was happy for each of her wonderful kids. And finally,

Robert F was happy that ten years ago, he celebrated the Holidays with Glenn S and his family!

And that was that for Happiness.

Queen of Hearts

And after grouching about the proclivities of the hidey cat Queen of Hearts last week, Linda D should not have been surprised that the Queen of Hearts did it again – Linda’s name was drawn but the Queen hid in her hidey hole. Evidently, the Queen was not amused. However Linda, we wish you much better luck next week!

Finemastering

For a change, instead of Darth Allen or JimFab, we had our very own Jeff M lead the Finemastering charge on this very special day – National Ham Day (no kidding on that) but Jeff certainly showed the Ham (as in Hamming it up) as he systematically relieved the Rotarians present of their dollars and sense, fining:

those who didn’t know that it was National Ham Day,

Rachel H, for the fact that her wonderful kids were shoeless (no shoes, no socks, no service!),

Jimfab for being exceptionally amped up,

Paul N, \$5.00, to welcome him to the Club,

Vince S, for not remembering the date of the **ALZHEIMER’S ASSOCIATION WALK THROUGH BUSSE WOODS** because he was talking when Allison McEwen made the announcement.

Tom G, because someone hired Jeff M to comfort some people that Tom allegedly offended, or something like that,

And people who were counting on Bill K’s deep knowledge of the Ham Industry to answer questions about said industry really felt the pain. But hey, maybe you had to be there because it was exceptionally funny to watch it go down – which actually, you can do if you go to the Club’s youtube page and advance the tape to the part where Bill did his best to answer the pig questions! I highly recommend that you do that!

And with that, the fining ended and, as we were in general assembly that day, we were sort of done! Ah Ba Dee Ah Ba Dee Ah Ba Dee, That’s All Folks!

To those celebrating this weekend, enjoy the Holidays! See you next week!